



# CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER

## CITY OF CAMBRIDGE MASSACHUSETTS

Since its inception, the Cambridge Community Center has been a frontline resource that has served generations of children, teens, and families throughout Cambridge for over 90 years. The Center has initiated many Coast firsts, including the establishment of the first nursery school and the first varsity basketball games open to African Americans. In subsequent decades, the Center has hosted HeadStart Program classrooms, the Riverside Health Care Facility, and a wide variety of community, political, and social events.



REGIONAL LEAD:  
CAMBRIDGE  
COMMUNITY CENTER



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## RATINGS

No two Resilience Hubs are alike. Each community will have different goals and priorities for all three resilience modes. The degree to which they meet their goals can be described as Baseline, Optional, and Ideal.

Baseline sites meet the minimum criteria for being a Resilience Hub and provide community benefit in all three resilience modes. Optional Resilience Hubs incorporate a range of expanded services and resilience-enhancing retrofits. Ideal Resilience Hubs meet ambitious goals that provide community benefits year-round.

MODE:



### RESILIENT PROGRAMMING

Offering additional services and programs that build relationships, promote community preparedness, and improve residents' health and well-being.



### RESILIENT COMMUNICATIONS

Ensuring the ability to communicate within and outside the service area year-around and especially during disruptions and throughout recovery.



### RESILIENT BUILDINGS AND LANDSCAPE

Strengthening the resilience of the facility to ensure that it meets operational goals in all conditions.



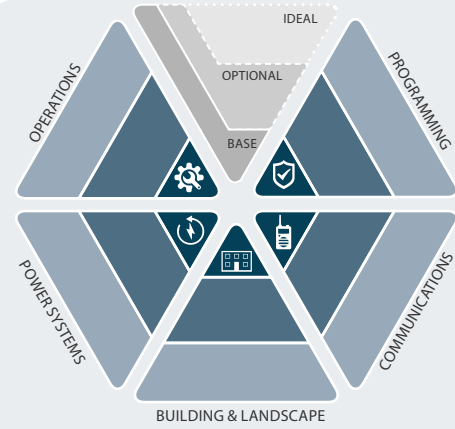
### RESILIENT POWER

Ensuring reliable backup power to the facility during a hazard while also improving the cost-effectiveness and sustainability of operations in all three operating modes.



### RESILIENT OPERATIONS

Ensuring personnel and processes are in place to operate the facility in all three modes.



## EVERYDAY

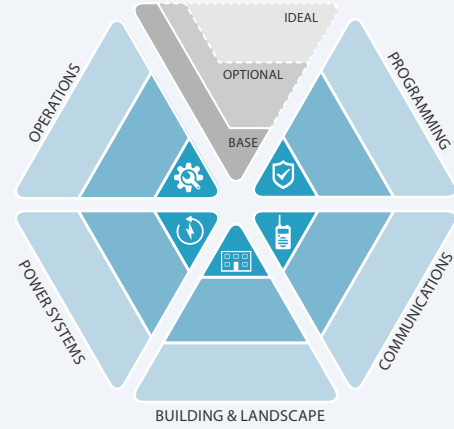
- Youth mental health & career programming
- Workforce re-entering program: job fair, resume support, headshot opportunity
- Caregiving: out of school programming
- Teen Music and Hip Hop Transformation Programming

- Proactive community outreach and engagement
- Restaurant fundraiser
- Community events: sisters of the center, high profile ribbon cutting of the site
- Zoom phone system

- Facilities for sports programming
- Needs weatherproofing and floodproofing and select air conditioning
- Electric commercial-grade kitchen
- Greenhouse
- Needs additional preschool classroom

- Resilience Power Feasibility Assessment
- Rooftop Solar System
- Batter backup system
- Needs comprehensive site electrical overhaul

- Needs capital campaign to renevat elevator and ramps to make ADA accessible
- Full Time Social Worker
- Behavioral health services director
- Local doctor
- Needs translation services



## DISRUPTION

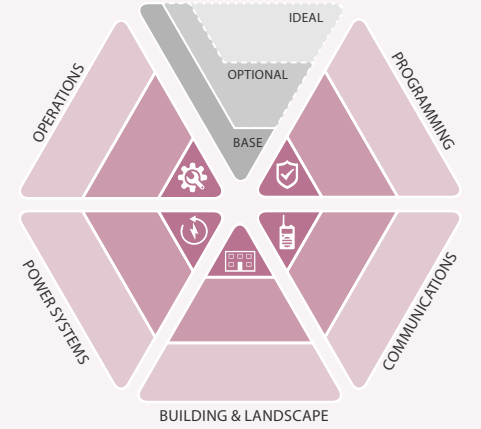
- Food and supply pantry
- Emergency supply provision
- Proactive training for community emergency preparedness

- Virtual community engagement
- 16 camera surveillance system
- Needs monitors and speaker system for disruption

- Needs additional refrigeration and freezer space

- Emergency generator






- Capacity to maintain operations in the event of disruption
- Needs staff training for disruption protocol



## RECOVERY

- Mental health programming
- Proactive training to support community members in recovery

# NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES

	OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUNDING	OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION	OPPORTUNITIES FOR CAPACITY BUILDING
<b>PROGRAMMING</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding for programatic expansion and ongoing program operating needs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commercial grade kitchen, additional preschool classroom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate preparedness training lead</li> <li>Capacity to support expansion of services and programs</li> </ul>
<b>COMMUNICATION</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding for proactive community outreach</li> <li>Funding for emergency communication equipment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supporting communication infrastructure, namely monitors and speaker system</li> </ul>	
<b>BUILDINGS &amp; LANDSCAPE</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building weatherization and floodproofing</li> <li>Electric commercial-grade kitchen</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building retrofit and upgrades, including weatherization</li> <li>Commercial kitchen</li> <li>Preschool classroom</li> </ul>	
<b>POWER</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding for site electrical overhaul</li> <li>Funding for solar + storage implementation</li> </ul>		
<b>OPERATIONS</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding for ADA accessibility</li> <li>Funding for ongoing operations and maintenance</li> <li>Funding for staff in all modes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ADA accessibilty improvements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity and partnerships to support hub in all modes</li> </ul>

## CURRENT PARTNERS

- USDN
- City of Cambridge
- American Microgrid Solutions
- Capital One
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Harvard University
- Cambridge Winter Farmers Market
- Cambridge Center for Adult Education

## FUNDING

- Barr Foundation
- Climable
- Clean Energy Group
- Amelia Peabody Foundation
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

